

BEFORE THE
ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF:

FRANK LEONARD

Complainant,

vs.

AMEREN ILLINOIS COMPANY,

d/b/a AMEREN ILLINOIS

Respondent.

Complaint as to Ameren removed the
gas line without my authorization in
Springfield, Illinois.

Chicago, Illinois

October 1, 2020

Met pursuant to notice via
teleconference at 2:00 p.m.

Before:

MARCHANT JOHNSON, Administrative Law Judge.

BRIDGES COURT REPORTING
BY: Michael J. Duffy, CER
Notary Public

1 APPEARANCES:

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3 FRANK LEONARD
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8 appeared pro se;

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10 AMEREN ILLINOIS COMPANY
11 MR. ANTHONY BROWN
12 MR. GEOFFREY F. GRAMMER
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14 St. Louis, Missouri 63116
15 314-553-3611

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17 appeared on behalf of Ameren Illinois
18 Company.

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21 No witnesses called. No exhibits offered.
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1 THE COURT: By the authority vested in me by
2 the Illinois Commerce Commission, I now call Docket
3 20-0408. Frank Leonard vs. Ameren Illinois
4 Company doing business as Ameren Illinois.
5 Complaint as to Ameren removed the gas line without
6 my authorization in Springfield, Illinois.

7 Can the parties please enter their
8 appearances for the record?

9 Mr. Leonard, we will start with
10 you.

11 MR. LEONARD: Frank Leonard,
12 fleo407202@gmail.com, phone number (951) 742-3835.

13 MR. BROWN: And this is Anthony Brown and
14 Geoffrey Grammer appearing on behalf of Ameren
15 Illinois Company, doing business as Ameren
16 Illinois. Our business address is 1901 Chouteau
17 Avenue, Saint Louis, Missouri 63166. And my
18 telephone number is (314) 554-3611.

19 THE COURT: Thank you very much.

20 I would like to begin with the
21 preliminary matter of Ameren Illinois' motion to
22 strike, filed on September 24th. There will be an

1 ALJ ruling issued granting the motion to strike.

2 And I want to make clear for the
3 record, Mr. Brown, could you please provide insight
4 as to whether or not you plan to file anything
5 additional, based on the amended complaint filed on
6 September 28th?

7 MR. BROWN: No, Your Honor. Ameren Illinois'
8 motion to strike also referenced the September
9 22nd, 2020 e-mail sent by complainant Frank
10 Leonard, which was accepted on e-Docket -- pardon
11 me -- on September 28th, 2020.

12 So the Company will not be filing
13 anything in response to Mr. Leonard's second
14 amended formal complaint.

15 THE COURT: Thank you very much.

16 Okay. After a brief discussion off
17 the record, the parties advised me that they are
18 still willing to have conversations regarding
19 settlement agreement, and that it would be in the
20 best interests of the parties to continue this
21 matter over for status.

22 The Company has also informed me

1 that they would like to impose a testimony filing
2 deadline of October 29th, 2020 to allow Mr. Leonard
3 approximately two weeks to review that testimony
4 prior to a status hearing being scheduled for
5 November 17th, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. Does that still
6 sound accurate to the parties?

7 MR. LEONARD: Yes, your Honor.

8 MR. BROWN: Yes for the Company, your Honor.

9 THE COURT: Thank you both very much.

10 All right. So there will be a
11 testimony filing deadline of October 29th, 2020 and
12 a status hearing held on this matter on November
13 17th, 2020. So that means, Mr. Leonard, I request
14 that you review any testimony filed by the Company
15 prior to that status hearing.

16 Please feel free to reach out to
17 the Company should you have any questions about
18 that testimony or should you have any issues
19 reviewing that testimony.

20 If at any time you determine,
21 Mr. Leonard, that you need to file testimony of
22 your own, which you've indicated that you will not

1 be at this time, I would request that, if that
2 changes, you let me know. Preferably prior to that
3 status hearing, but no later than that status
4 hearing. Okay. Mr. Leonard?

5 MR. LEONARD: Yes, your Honor.

6 THE COURT: Thank you very much.

7 If for some reason the Company or
8 Mr. Leonard needs to continue the status hearing or
9 he needs an extension for that filing deadline,
10 please just send me an e-mail and let me know and
11 that's something that we could definitely work out
12 off the record.

13 If, for some reason, the parties
14 decide that the status hearing should be continued
15 because settlement conversations have proven to be
16 fruitful, or you have reached a settlement
17 agreement, Mr. Leonard and Mr. Brown, I would ask
18 that you two agree on a process to let me know, and
19 then we would be able to continue that status
20 hearing. Okay?

21 MR. LEONARD: Understood, ma'am.

22 MR. BROWN: Sure.

1 THE COURT: Thank you both.

2 Is there anything additional that
3 we need to discuss while we are still on the
4 record?

5 MR. BROWN: Nothing for the Company, your
6 Honor.

7 MR. LEONARD: Frank Leonard, I have nothing
8 else.

9 THE COURT: Okay. Thank you both.

10 Then we will reconvene by
11 telephone. I will send a notice out with the
12 call-in information for a status hearing to be held
13 on November 17th, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.

14 Thank you very much. We're
15 adjourned.

16 (Whereupon, the above-entitled
17 matter was continued to
18 November 17, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.)

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